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## MEXICAN NATIONAL SENTENCED FOR IMMIGRATION VIOLATIONS

(Tyler, TX) United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig announced today that a 38-year-old Mexican citizen has been sentenced to federal prison for immigration violations in the Eastern District of Texas. RAMON RAMOS-GUEVARA was sentenced to 126 months and 17 days in Federal prison by United States District Judge Leonard Davis for illegally returning and being found unlawfully present in the United States after having been deported to Mexico.

According to information presented in court, on March 22, 2006, Ramos and Francisco Saucedo were arrested and charged with 14 counts of Aggravated Assault against a Public Servant after they were involved in the shooting of a Texas Department of Public Safety trooper after having been stopped for a traffic violation in Smith County. Ramos and Saucedo fled from officers while firing numerous rounds from semi-automatic weapons. Ramos and Saucedo were taken into custody after crashing their vehicle and found to be wearing bullet-proof vests.

On March 23, 2006, a special agent with Immigration and Customs Enforcement determined that Ramos was a Mexican national who had been deported to Mexico twice after aggravated felony convictions and that he had not received permission to re-enter the United States.

On July 9, 2006, Ramos pleaded guilty to state charges of Aggravated Assault on a Public Servant and Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon and was sentenced on July 18, 2006 to consecutive Life sentences in the Texas Department of Corrections by the 114<sup>th</sup> Judicial District Court of Smith County, Texas.

This case was investigated by the Texas Department of Public Safety, the Smith County Sheriff's Office and the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Allen Hurst.